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The Honorable J. Dennis Hastert Speaker of the House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515

Dear Mr. Speaker:

On behalf of the Secretary of Defense, I have approved the retirement of General William J. Begert III, United States Air Force, and his advancement to the grade of general on the retired list. I certify that General Begert has served satisfactorily on active duty in his current grade. General Begert, who is 57 years of age, currently serves as the Commander, Pacific Air Forces; Air Component Commander for United States Pacific Command; and Executive Director, Pacific Air Combat Operations Staff. I have also notified the President of the United States and the President of the Senate of this action.

Sincerely,

David S. C. Chu

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The Honorable Duncan Hunter Chairman, House Armed Services Committee The Honorable Ike Skelton Ranking Member, House Armed Services Committee

